

Abstract of the Disclosure

A method of dynamic performance determination of network connected output devices, wherein each output device has a set of known characteristics, including entering a print job at a first network output device; querying other output devices on the network to determine each other output device's characteristics and pending print jobs to determine if a specific other output device is capable of performing the entered print job; transmitting a print job from the first network output device to each other capable output device; reporting the completion of a single copy of the entered print job by each other network output device; and determining the number of copies of the entered print job to be printed by the first network output device and each other output device.